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AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Dec. 2.—"Remember the Maine," at Casino.
—Dec. 2.—Lecture at First Presbyterian Church by Rev. David Winter.
—Dec. 2.—Fair First Congregational Church.
—Dec. 2.—Clam chowder supper, at First Baptist Church, by Ladies' Aid Society.
—Dec. 2.—Concert at the Casino by the Misses DeWand, Grant, Odell and others.
—Dec. 2.—Sale and gentlemen's supper at Nationalist parlors.
—Dec. 2.—May-Griffin Combination, at the Casino.
—Jan. 2.—Geo. Lee's masquerade ball, at Casino.
—Jan. 2.—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Dr. Eugene May, at the Casino.
—Feb. 14.—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Rev. Dr. H. E. Conwell, at the Casino.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.—Rain or snow to-night and Sunday; easterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the record of the thermometer at First Congregational Church:
7 a. m., 22°; 12 m., 28°; 3 p. m., 37°.

Secretary Alger's report is of interest and importance, chiefly because of what it does not tell concerning the conduct of the war.

Speaker Reed, who does not go in for imperialism, indulged in a fling at the expansionists, the other day, by describing them as "people who think we are able to furnish freedom for all sorts of heathens."

Six regiments of infantry and one of artillery, regulars, are to be sent to the Philippines to reinforce Gen. Otis. This looks as if the administration had made up its mind that the task of pacifying the insurgents is likely to prove a serious one.

If Spain sells the Caroline Islands to Germany it will be a source of everlasting regret to the expansionists that we didn't gather them in with the Philippines. The fact that the islands are not worth having makes no difference. Part of the creed of expansion is that even if we don't want it, anything in sight must be taken because there is a possibility that some else may want it.

If Judge O'Brien resigns from the Supreme Court bench there will be a vacancy to be filled by the Governor. The chance to appoint Judge Daly, who was energized during the campaign by Republican newspapers and spellbinders as the embodiment of all judicial and civic virtues, ought to be jumped at but it will not be. The place will go to a thick and thin Republican. Judge Daly was only "a good enough Daly" till after election.

The amazing growth of the business of the Post Office Department is dwelt upon by Postmaster General Smith in his annual report. For the last fiscal year the receipts were \$89,012,518, against \$33,315,479 in 1880, and the expenditures were \$98,033,523 against \$36,542,804, while the number of post offices had increased from 43,000 to 73,000. During the past twenty years the population has increased about fifty per cent., but the post office business has multiplied threefold.

It is reported that the West Virginia Republicans have concocted a plan to steal a United States Senator. Under the law the Secretary of State makes up the roll of members of the House of Delegates from the certificates of election sent to him by the various county courts. It happens that the Secretary of State is the chairman of the Republican State Committee and the scheme is to substitute on the roll for the Democrats who are certified as electors the names of Republicans, who have been induced to make contests, and thus organize the House with counterfeits for seats sitting as members. Enough Democrats will be unseated to give the Republicans a majority on joint ballot. It seems scarcely possible that such a lawless scheme can be carried through, but that it is devised and is being considered, shows the recklessness and unscrupulousness of the leaders of the party of such moral ideas in that State.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—James J. Hanley, of 119 Fulton street, has taken a position as brakeman on the S. and W. on a train running from Middletown to Paterson, N. J.

Say "No" when a dealer offers you a substitute for Hood's Scurvy Pills. There is nothing "just as good." Get only Hood's.

THE CAROLINE ISLANDS

Germany Negotiating for Their Purchase.

MURDERED BY BURGLARS.

Desperate Thieves Kill a Pennsylvania Saloon Keeper.

German Negotiations for the Purchase of the Caroline Islands Spain's Military Tactics.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—No joint session of the peace commissions to-day. The Americans had a three hours' meeting, this morning.

The report from Berlin that Germany is negotiating for the purchase of the Caroline Islands is confirmed through several quarters, although Count Von Munster-Ledenburg, the German Ambassador here, informed a correspondent of the Associated Press that he knew nothing about the matter.

The American commissioners are inclined to believe the report and it is looked upon as explaining the reluctance of the Spaniards to give the Americans an answer in regard to the Caroline Islands, as well as to the question of religious liberty there. The latest developments confirm the report that the Spaniards have been instructed not to yield one of these points until they have made a good bargain.

MURDERED BY BURGLARS.

A Pennsylvania Saloon Keeper Shot Down by Burglars Who Bound and Strapped His Servant and Blew Open and Rifled His Safe.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

SCRANTON, Dec. 2.—Michael Corcoran, proprietor of a hotel in Duryea and prominent in politics in upper Luzern county, was murdered, this morning, by burglars. Kate Monaghan, a servant, was overpowered and gagged.

The robbery was evidently well planned, the thieves knowing there would be a considerable sum in cash in the place as it was just after pay day in the mines.

Corcoran and the Monaghan woman were the only persons who slept in the building, which, though known as a hotel, is nothing more than a saloon. Corcoran closed the saloon some time after midnight, having done a large business during the evening. The Monaghan woman's room was at the head of the stairway. Two men seized and gagged her. Her muffled cries were heard by Corcoran, who jumped from his bed and ran into the hallway toward the servant's room. He was a powerful man, and seeing an intruder near the door of the servant's room, rushed at him. The other men ran out of the room and one fired. Corcoran went down at the first shot, instantly killed, the bullet having pierced his heart.

The murderers then took time to blow open the safe and secure its contents, estimated at several hundred dollars. They then escaped. The servant afterwards freed herself and gave the alarm. Corcoran was postmaster at Duryea under the last Cleveland administration. There is no trace of the murderers.

APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED.

Gov. Elect Roosevelt Gives Out Some of the Official Plums.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

OSTER BAY, Dec. 3.—Governor-elect Theodore Roosevelt authorized the following appointments to be made public: Private Secretary, William J. Youngs; Military Secretary, George C. Tredwell; Pardon Clerk, John T. Joyce; Appointment Clerk, T. Newcomb; Executive Stenographers, Benj. W. Smith, Geo. S. Allen and Geo. Graves; Confidential Messengers, Amos M. Knapp, William O'Connor and Wm. J. Lambern.

Itchiness of the skin, horrible plague. Most everybody afflicted in one way or another. Only one safe, never failing cure. Doan's Ointment. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Sure Cure for Colds

When the children get their feet wet and take cold give them a hot foot bath, a bowl of hot drink, a dose of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and put them to bed. They will be all right in the morning. Cherry Pectoral will cure old coughs also; we mean the coughs of bronchitis, weak throats, and irritable lungs. Even the hard coughs of consumption are always made easy and frequently cured by using

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral
The Best Medical Advice Free!
Write freely all the particulars in your case. The doctor will reply by mail.
Address, Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

BUSINESS CASES.

JOHN DOROVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 121 North street. Please call to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.
I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—189 residence, 312 office. Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 291. Branch office at 48 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn. 45 Great Jones St., New York. Lady Assistant.
DOUGHERTY & O'NEIL, Undertakers and Embalmers, 54 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 43, night and day. New York office, 43 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone.
FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 50 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 33d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.
KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 43 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York City. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 18.

GO TO OAKLEY'S

5 and 10 Cent Store, Where Up Town, for Notions.
Glassware, Chinaware, Tinware, Earthenware, Toys of all kinds, all for a little money. No article higher than 10c. All our stock is from the store. Don't forget the number.
NO. 5 NORTH STREET,
FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY THE TRADING STAMP CO. 22d in Dec.

We are Preparing for HOLIDAY TRADE!

In our store you will find the greatest variety of goods, suitable to people of good taste and good judgment.

The latest and daintiest articles, combining good form with low prices.

We do not cater to the lowest class of trade nor fill our store with vulgar trash, grotesque in style and worthless in quality.

But we endeavor to offer the public worthy goods at the most moderate prices, and we know how to do it.

Come and see.
H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.
No. 39 North Street.

FOR CHRISTMAS!

We are showing a very attractive stock of Dress Patterns, silks and satins; Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs in real lace, silk or linen; Leather Goods, Silk Petticoats, Fur Collarettes, Kid Gloves, Silk Hosiery and fancy articles of various kinds, which we will be pleased to have you see

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.
A Long Hard Winter is Expected.
We are right on deck with a large stock of Winter Clothing, Underwear, etc., at bottom prices. We quote a few of our many values.
Men's Socks 2c., Boys' Overcoats 85c.,
UNDERWEAR 17 CENTS,
Boys' Winter Caps 10 Cents, Men's Ulsters \$3.38.

ADAMS & BOYD,

No. 41 North Street, Middletown

Another Lot of These Good POTATOES!

50 Cents Per Bushel.
SWEET POTATOES
50 Cts. Per Bushel.

READY PAY STORE
No. 111 North St.
TEMPERATURE NOTICE SIGNS
FOUR FOR \$1.00.
At least three of certain size required by law. Get two or more neighbors to order with you and save freight, as we pay it on 15 or more signs.
G. F. HARDING,
Sign Works, Waltham, M. Y.

Look For Our Advertisement

IN TO-MORROW'S ISSUE.
GOOD NEWS FOR CLOTHING BUYERS.

MORRIS B. WOLF,
One Price Clothier, Blue Front Store,
NO. 10 NORTH STREET.

AT STERN'S--Something Worth Reading.
WE HAVE BOUGHT THE ENTIRE STOCK OF
Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks!
from a first-class manufacturer, at just half price, and are putting them on sale at exactly half former prices. Remember these are all new and first-class goods. There are about 500 in the lot. A great chance for late buyers. We are going out of the yarn business, having a lot of all shades of best quality Saxony and Germantown, will sell at half price—Saxony 5c a skein and Germantown at 8c a skein. Come while the assortment lasts.
L. STERN, 13-15 NORTH ST.

THE ART OF GIVING

finds at our store great opportunity for its development. Goods to suit all tastes and purses and a place on our counter. No matter what your want is in our line we can supply it. Every facility furnished by courteous assistants for easy shopping with us. Calendars—No danger of your friend ever having too many. Nothing more pleasing than a Christmas Card or Booklet to enclose with your holiday gift. A subscription for a Magazine is a lasting gift, and is easily made through us. We have a special card for such cases that may be sent to indicate the gift and donor.

Hanford & Horton,
No. 6 North St., Middletown.

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INDIAN REMEDIES!
AT
F. M. PRONK'S.

U WILL SEE

The largest and most complete line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's warm Slippers and Nullifiers, red, brown and blue; also warm lined Shoes. See our prices. Follow the footprints to

C. D. Hanford's,

No. 43 North Street.

WOULDN'T SOME WARMER Underclothing

COME IN HANDY JUST NOW?
We are prepared to fill your wants in Underwear that is well made, perfectly shaped and priced right. All sizes and qualities.
IT'S BLANKET WEATHER.

The sharp air between night and morning tells you that a warm, wooly Blanket wouldn't be amiss. All wool, part wool and cotton, and a price list that will cover every purse.

Hosiery Hints!

Cotton and wool. Women's goods in wool, cotton and fleece lined. Men's goods in all wool, cotton and wool mixed, and all cotton. Children's goods in all sizes and qualities. Some extra strong stockings for the boys.
We have the latest styles in Gents' Puffs and Bows.
J. D. HORTON, AGT.,
No. 27 West Main Street.

TWO DOLLARS

for a half barrel each highest grade Flour. No better ever made. Seven cake Rabbit's Head for 50 cents. Three packages Rose Brand Mince Meat for 25 cents.
B. F. TODD, 121 North St.

NOW READY

to show our 1898 Christmas goods. We cannot describe our stock this year; it is endless in variety.

IN FURNITURE.

We show music and china cabinets, fancy chairs and rockers, desks, etc.

IN CARPETS.

Rugs of all kinds in Wilton, Axminster, Smyrna, Velvet, and all grades of carpets at prices that will surprise you. Lace Curtains and heavy Portieres, a good assortment.

IN CROCKERY.

In this department we have fairly outdone ourselves. Such a variety was never before shown in this city, and the prices will suit all purses.

EMMET CRAWFORD,
44-46 North Street.

A little tickling in your throat? Makes you cough? One of McMonagle & Rogers' Throat Lozenges will relieve it. Simple, safe and effective. The best thing known for that troublesome cough following Croup. Only 10 cents for a box full. Tenth year of popularity. McMonagle & Rogers, Druggists, 80 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)

Making rough hands smooth and white for 30 years. That's the record of McMonagle & Rogers' Orange Flower Balm. Large bottles 25 cents. We doubt if it has an equal. McMonagle & Rogers, 80 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)

HUYLER'S CHOCOLATES AND BON BONS fresh every week. If you wish them in 3 lb. or 5 lb. boxes for Christmas gifts, please give us your orders at once to insure delivery. McMonagle & Rogers, 80 North Street

A GREAT SUCCESS!

Our two weeks' sale of Sideboards met with such gratifying results, that we will, under the same conditions, run a special sale, for this week only, of

PARLOR FURNITURE.

1 SUITE, 6 PIECES, FORMERLY \$75, THIS WEEK \$45.
1 SUITE, 5 PIECES, FORMERLY \$45, THIS WEEK \$30.
3 SUITES, 6 PIECES, FORMERLY \$40, THIS WEEK \$25.
2 SUITES, 5 PIECES, FORMERLY \$30, THIS WEEK \$20.
1 SUITE, 2 PIECES, FORMERLY \$27.50, THIS WEEK \$15.

Odd pieces at big reduction. These prices are strictly for cash. Some of the pieces are less than cost. We must have room for one of the best lines of Holiday goods ever displayed in our city.

The Cheapest House Furnishers.

FRANCE & HATHAWAY,
25 and 27 EAST MAIN STREET

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

—Full line of holiday goods at The Fair.
—To be examined free by (has L. Sweeney).
—Slippers 50c up at Sweeney's.
—Sugar like a pound at J. W. Sweeney's.
—Christmas gifts at O'Brien & Sweeney's.
—Crown lotion for the skin at W. D. O'Brien's.
—Holiday goods at O'Brien & Sweeney's.
—Women's rubbers 50c at O'Brien & Sweeney's.
—Rugs at Franklin House, tonight.
—Men's rubbers at O'Brien & Sweeney's.
—Black and tan hand lot.
—Dressmaking done by Miss Melissa Dwyer.
—Money wanted on good security.
—Warm slippers at O'Brien & Sweeney's.
—For Christmas, dress patterns at Carson & Towser's.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.
—"Remember the Maine" at the Casino, Monday night.
—"Our Old Kentucky Home," to-night, at the Casino.
—To-night is amateur night at the Cottage Theatre, Mechanistown.
—Fine box boys and shoeblacks at Laskaris Palace Confectionery, 34 North street.
—The Business Men's Association did not have a quorum at its meeting, Friday night.
—The admission prices to the Casino Theatre, to-night, are only 20, 30 and 40 cents.
—Lieut. Stivers has granted permission for the Young Ladies Basketball Club to practice at the armory.
—The members of the "Old Kentucky Home" Company have attracted much attention on the streets, to-day.
—The next attraction at the Casino will be next Monday evening, when "Remember the Maine" will be played.
—The sleighing is nearly a thing of the past on the country roads and isn't anything to brag of on the city's streets.
—A lady's cape, which was exchanged at the Umpqua Tribe entertainment, may be had by inquiring at this office.
—The Missionary Union is in urgent need of more clothing. Packages may be left at the store of Carson & Towser.
—Fresh peanut brittle, coconut brittle and chewing taffy at Laskaris', 34 North street and 17 West Main street.
—Hanford & Horton announce that they have received the popular Rooster almanac for 1899, which they distribute free.
—The number of people on the streets, this afternoon, with bundles and the crowded condition of the stores, indicate that the merchants have had a busy day.
—Secretaries of lodges which hold elections during the current month will confer a favor by sending in the lists of officers as early as possible on the morning of the day after the election.
—Dr. J. L. Haumer, of this city, was in Walden, Wednesday, to assist in an operation for the removal of a cancer from the breast of Mrs. James Sarine, of that village. The operation was entirely successful. The patient is in charge of Mrs. Watts, a trained nurse from this city.
—"Remember the Maine" is the name of a highly patriotic and exciting melodrama to be produced at the Casino, next Monday evening, and wherein "Butcher" Weyler, Gen. Lee and other well known celebrities of the Spanish-American war are shown in a way to please the American hearts.
—The chart for reserved seats for Rev. David Winters' lecture, "The Better Half and the Other Half, or How to be Happy Though Married," to be given, Tuesday evening, December 6, at the First Presbyterian Church, is filling up rapidly, but there are many good seats yet to be had at F. M. Proulx's drug store.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Florence Horton went to New York, to-day.
—John H. McCune, of Florida, was in town, to-day.
—Mrs. Kennelauer Ayres is seriously ill of nervous prostration.
—Ex-Policeman Robert Wengatz returned to New York, to-day.
—Miss Genevieve Ogden has gone to New York for a three weeks' visit.
—Ex-Supervisor William H. Wood, of Goshen, is visiting his son-in-law, H. C. Horton.
—Chas. Clapham, of Bloomingburgh, returned from a visit in Massachusetts, Friday night.
—Mrs. Davis, of Jersey City, who has been the guest of Mrs. G. A. Swalm, Jr., returned home, to-day.
—The Citizen notes that Miss Frances Malone, of this city, has been visiting friends in Walden, this week.
—An operation was performed upon Sam Beasley at Thrall Hospital, Friday night, and he is resting comfortably, to-day.
—Frank Tucker, of Co. I, Second Regiment, U. S. A., who has been visiting at his home at Port Jervis, left for Camp Anderson.
—The Hurleyville correspondent of the Ensign states that Tommy Devine, Katie Wallace and William Wallace, of that village, are in this city, this week.
—Mrs. Jacob Lehn, of this village, went to Middletown, Friday, where she will visit for a few weeks, at the residence of her son in that city.—Port Jervis Gazette.
—Charles A. Jacobus, operator at the Middletown central telephone office, was a visitor in town Friday, and returned home on train 14 that night.—Port Jervis Union.
—Miss Mamie Coffey, of Brooklyn, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Anna Carroll, was called home, Friday, having word that her aunt, Mrs. H. Mooney, was very sick.
—The Shag's Parkville correspondent says Miss Eva Shaw and Harriet

Flak returned home, Monday night, after an extended visit to Long Island, New York, Brooklyn, Warwick, Florida and Middletown.
—Benjamin Coleman has removed his family and household goods from 82 Liberty street to 45 Mulberry street.
—Miss Armstrong, of Middletown, sister of Mrs. Henry Truex, made a very favorable impression by her songs on the audience at the M. E. fair in Hornbeck's Hall, last Saturday evening, and was applauded very liberally.—Wantage Recorder.
—Thomas H. Desmond, formerly superintendent of a department of the National Saw Works, has accepted a position as superintendent of Howe, Brown & Co.'s steel works at Pittsburg, Pa. The salary is a pleasing feature of the position. He will leave for Pittsburg, Monday, his family remaining here.

JOHN HUNTER'S BARN BURNED.

Bandall Wood, of Hazlet, injured by a falling timber—A theory as to the origin of the fire.
Fire broke out in John Hunter's barn, at 21 East avenue, about 3 o'clock, this morning, and an alarm was sent in from box 45.
The fire had gained considerable headway, and the inflammable material within made it a furnace by the time Eagles' "bunkers" had their steam on. McQuide arrived soon after and also directed a stream upon the flames.
While Eagles' stream was being sent in a doorway, the noise being held by Bandall Wood and Bert Lamont, the siding was heard to crackle as if about to fall. The firemen ran with their stream, but Wood was caught by a falling timber and crushed to the ground. He was taken, stunned, to his home on a cot in the patrol wagon, and Dr. Hulet summoned, who found his patient suffering from a cut on the head and internal injuries, which have not yet been determined.
The barn was insured for \$150 and the contents for \$50 in Glens Falls Company, through the agency of Case & Taylor.
The origin of the fire is not known, but Mr. Hunter, who deals in ferrets, thinks some one made a raid on them, and either accidentally or purposely fired the barn.
The recall was sent in at 5 o'clock, the building having been totally destroyed.

HEALTH OF THE STATE.

Very Heavy Death Rate in Many Hudson Valley Towns.
The monthly bulletin of the State Board of Health, just issued for October, has its customary interesting tables of interesting figures. By reference to the same it is found that the death rate for the Hudson valley district, per 1,000 of population, for the month was 16.50. The death rate for the several towns in the district is as follows:
Coxsackie, 26; Catskill, 12; Hudson, 15; Kingston, 15; Esopus, 14.50; Saugerties, 9; Poughkeepsie, 12.60; Fishkill, 15.20; Wappinger Falls, 23; Newburgh, 16; Port Jervis, 16.70; Middletown, 22; Warwick, 16; Goshen, 19; Montgomery, 24; Nyack, 10.

"The Sporting Widow" at the Casino, Next Thursday Evening.
Anyone who has met the genial Ed. F. Rush, will be pleased to learn that he has agreed to produce at the Casino, next Thursday evening, his famous, laughing farce comedy, "The Sporting Widow." Ed. does not appear as the sporting widow, but there is a pretty little lady who does, and she is drawing crowded houses among theatre goers of the adjacent cities.

Walton's Free Library to Be Opened.
The Ogden Free Library at Walton will be opened about Christmas. The trustees have ordered 1,500 volumes, 1,000 of which have been received. Hon. Andrew H. Green, of New York, one of the trustees of the estate of William B. Ogden, whose liberality provided the building, will send an experienced librarian to catalogue and classify the books, and get things in readiness for the opening.

Funeral of William T. Eaton.
Rev. Dr. Wilson will officiate at the funeral of W. T. Eaton, which will be held, to-night, at his late home on Spring street. A quartette from St. Paul's choir will furnish music. At the burial at Ridgebury, to-morrow, the bearers will be former neighbors of the deceased from that village and vicinity.

No Law Against Making Children Drunk.
The agent of Paterson's Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children has twenty-eight complaints against a liquor dealer in that city, who has sold liquor to boys, some of whom were made helplessly drunk, but no statute can be found under which the seller can be prosecuted.

Ontario and Western's Decreased Earnings.
The Ontario and Western reports a decrease of \$9,056 in its net earnings for October, and a decrease of \$55,508 since July 1.

Killed by an Erie Train.
Erie train 21, Conductor Lepton, struck and killed an Italian at Bergen, this morning.

Good health is worth more than anything else to you, and every bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla contains good health.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Adella Near, widow of Sylvester Near, died at 8:30, this morning, of an old complaint, heart trouble, at the home of a friend, Mrs. Preston, on William street. She resided at 27 Knapp avenue, but went to the house of Mrs. Preston, Tuesday, for a few days' visit. She was in good health and cheerful spirits when she retired Friday night, but became seriously affected early this morning, dying soon afterward.
Mrs. Near had no near relatives here. She was well known to Middletowners, having conducted a confectionary business here for a long time.

Mrs. Sarah Caroline Davis.
Mrs. Sarah Caroline Davis, widow of Isaac Davis, died at the residence of her son-in-law, John W. Pierce, 111 Academy avenue, early this morning.
The deceased had been a resident of this city for twenty-two years. She was the daughter of Wiener and Fanny Mapes Hulse. She received a stroke of paralysis two years ago, and another since then. Her last illness covered a period of two weeks.
She is survived by three children—Benjamin F., of New York; Fanny A., wife of Thomas Halstead, and Martha J., wife of John W. Pierce, of this city, making her home with the latter. One brother, Sidney M. Hulse, of Mountville, N. J., and two sisters, Dinah Ette, wife of Thos. Mapes, of this city, and Hattie, wife of Asa Barker, of Corning.
The deceased was a consistent member of the First Congregational Church, and was endeared to all who knew her.

WAYNE-ORANGE BASE BALL LEAGUE.

Arranging for Next Season—Trying to Interest Middletowners.
From the Port Jervis Union.
At the meeting of the Wayne-Orange base ball league held in Port Jervis recently, three managers were present, representing Honesdale, Carbondale and Port Jervis. Another meeting will be held immediately after the holidays, when arrangements for the season of 1899 will be completed. It has been ascertained through correspondence that Newburgh will be ready to enter the league next season. An effort will be made to draw Ellenville, N. Y., and Newtown, N. J., and Middletown into the league.

ENDED BY SUICIDE.

A Slaughter of Carbolic Acid to End Life's Troubles.
A German blacksmith named Letsner bought a farm near Ellenville, a year or so ago, and left his wife and their young daughter there while he worked at his trade in the city. The wife, it is alleged, became too intimate with Carl Weis, who was employed on the farm. Her husband had not visited the farm in months and, unable to conceal the evidence of her alleged infidelity, Mrs. Letsner took carbolic acid, Thursday morning, and when discovered was in a dying condition. Before taking the poison, she tried to induce her daughter to drink some of it.

News By Way of Boston.
The current issue of the Firemen's Standard, published at Boston, contains the following dream:
No truth is attached to the common report that intoxicating liquors are distributed among the volunteer firemen at Middletown, N. Y., by candidates for public office.

Ontario Hose Company to Attend Church.
Ontario Hose Company will attend the North Street Congregational Church, to-morrow evening. Rev. Mr. Morton will preach a sermon specially prepared for the occasion. Subject, "Unknown Heroes." There will be a special musical programme.

In Military Uniform.
Fred Randall, the Postal Telegraph Company's messenger, is out, to-day, in a handsome gray uniform such as is worn by messengers in other places. The improvement is a commendable one.

Little Graves.
Old time a quarter-a-box "Purgers" are quitting the field in whole battalions. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills at ten cents a vial are driving them out at all points. Because they act gently, more effectively, never pain, and are easy to take. Sick Headache succumbs to one dose.
Sold by J. E. Mills and McMonagle & Rogers.

Give the Children a Drink called Grain-O.
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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Dumped from a Sleigh—Catastrophe's Next Cause—A Whist Club's Organized—Settled an Old Grudge.
From Our Regular Correspondent.
—William Barry, of Campbell Hall, and Peter Murray, of this village, were dumped from a sleigh at the corner of New and West Main streets, Friday. They were piled in a promiscuous fashion along the highway, which suffered several indentations by the contact.
—Catastrophe's next promenade concert occurs on Saturday evening, Dec. 17.
—A Whist Club has been organized by the residents of Wallace Terrace.
—Mrs. Wickham I. Smith and son are spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith.
—An alleged prize fight occurred at Goshen, Thursday night. The prize was the settlement of an old grudge. The grudge and one opponent were settled in the first round.

BACHELORS' SOCIAL CLUB.

The Opening Hop a Well Attended and Very Pleasant Affair.
The opening hop of the Bachelors' Club was a jolly, well attended affair. Dancing began at 9:15 and ended at 1 a. m. The members and their guests were particularly well pleased at the satisfactory arrangements of all details. Miss Gumaer's orchestra received many compliments. There were many fetching gowns and several striking beauties among the new members of this swell coterie.
Among those present whose faces are familiar to Bachelor attendants, but who do not reside here, were the Misses Quaid, of Newburgh; Miss Mary Horton, of Brooklyn; Mr. Ayers, Mr. Beakes and Mr. Morehouse, of New York; Mr. Adams, of Newburgh; Mr. Writer, of Otisville.

A Very Much Battled Man.

Flagman Nutley, who is stationed in the tower between Cottage and Montgomery streets, states that early Thursday night, a man came running up the tracks shrieking: "Oh, help me! oh, help me!" He then pulled a revolver and fired it in the air several times. The shots attracted a number of people who tried to ascertain what it was all about, but the man suddenly disappeared.

House Burned at Sparrowbush.

The handsome residence of Levi Van Aken, in Sparrowbush, was destroyed by fire, about 4 o'clock, Friday morning. The fire originated near a chimney, on the second floor, and it is supposed to have been due to a defective flue. The loss is partially covered by an insurance of \$2,000.

Injured While Coasting.

Fred, the young son of Jacob Young, was coasting down William street hill, this morning, when he ran into one of Andrew Brown's delivery wagons, driven by a lad named Van Seiver. He received a bad cut over the forehead, which Dr. Purdy dressed.

Funeral of Mrs. John H. Millsbaugh.

The funeral of Mrs. John H. Millsbaugh was held at her late home, on Wickham avenue, at 2 o'clock, this afternoon. Rev. Dr. Charles Beattie officiating. Burial will be in Hillside, to-morrow morning. The bearers will be the sons and grandsons of the deceased.

A Delaware County Merchant's Failure.

John Seymour, a merchant at Rock Rift, Delaware county, made an assignment, Monday, to L. A. Ensign, of Hancock. The failure of a man named Owens, at Cannonsville, is said to have involved Mr. Seymour.

Poisoned by Ivy

Was in a Dreadful Condition

Happened to Read About a Similar Case—Followed the Other Man's Example and Was Cured.

The following incident is given by Charles Morris, general jobber, 52 Lexington Avenue, North Cambridge, Mass.: "Several years ago I became poisoned by ivy. I tried many medicines, spending a large sum of money without obtaining a particle of good. My children were also afflicted with the same disease. We were all constant sufferers with an awful itching sensation, and it seemed as if I should tear myself to pieces. I picked up a paper in which I found printed a testimonial from a man in Vermont who had been similarly afflicted and had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla with benefit. I bought a bottle, which we took and it did Me and My Children so much good I purchased another supply. We continued taking Hood's Sarsaparilla until we used five bottles and I can safely say that neither myself nor children have any signs of the poison. It has entirely left us and we are perfectly cured. We give the whole credit to Hood's Sarsaparilla. Before resorting to this medicine I was reduced in weight, but now I weigh 175 pounds. Hood's Sarsaparilla has not only done much good but has been the means of saving me a great deal of money. I would not be without it in my house and I heartily recommend it to all who are afflicted. I have written this statement for publication, of my own will, as I want others to know what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for us." CHARLES MORRIS.

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CUBAN SUPREME COURT.

Its First Session Held at Santiago Yesterday.

SANTIAGO, Dec. 3.—The opening of the recently reorganized supreme court yesterday morning was an impressive ceremony. Chief Justice Echeverria and the associate justices, prior to the opening, called at the palace, where they were received by General Leonard Wood, after which, with General Wood and his aids, Mr. Robert Porter and others, they were driven to the supreme court chamber.

General Wood, in a few tactful and forceful words, opened the proceedings, delivering the court, in the name of the United States government, to the chief justice and his associates and demanding from the public implicit obedience to the court's decisions and decrees. His pronouncement was translated by Captain Mendoza into Spanish.

Chief Justice Echeverria, replying, accepted the judicial offices in the name of the justices, formally recognizing the United States as the supreme power and declaring that the bench would render justice to rich and poor alike. The proceedings terminated with handshaking, after which General Wood's party was escorted to the entrance by the entire legal body. The first session of the first purely Cuban court was then opened.

OCCUPATION OF CUBA.

Second Division Ordered to Go to Havana as Soon as Possible.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 3.—The Second division of the Seventh army corps, the Second division hospital and the signal corps, Battalion F, Seventh army corps, have been ordered to move as soon as possible from Savannah to Havana. Major Fitz-Hugh Lee issued an order to this effect yesterday.

The men will go as soon as possible. It will take more transports to carry them than the government has in service at this time. The Second division will go under the command of General Edward B. Williston.

The regiments in the Second division are the One Hundred and Sixty-fourth Indiana, Second Illinois, First New York, Fourth Virginia, Forty-ninth Iowa, and Sixth Minnesota.

These are in the nature of hurry orders, but it is not thought troops can leave before Dec. 10.

HAVANA VOLUNTEERS RELIEVED.

HAVANA, Dec. 3.—The volunteer forces of Havana have been relieved of all further garrison duty. Recently they have only been called upon to furnish men for three posts, namely, the guard at the captain general's palace, at the military governor's palace and at the headquarters of General Parrado. In future regular Spanish troops will mount guard at these places. This ends the active service of the volunteers here, who will shortly be disbanded prior to the completion of the evacuation of Havana.

Isle of Pines Evacuated.

HAVANA, Dec. 3.—The United States evacuation commissioners will pay an official visit today to Governor General Castellanos. The Spanish troops that remained in the Isle of Pines evacuated yesterday. General Greene has asked the Cuban General Marie Menocal for 200 extra men to assist in the work of preparing the camps. Major Davis has finished his report on the sanitary condition of the city, and Captain Geary has begun the work of street cleaning.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

A rebellion against Turkey is said to have broken out in the Yemen district of Arabia.

Seventeen of the bodies washed ashore from the steamer Portland have been identified.

The grand cross of the Legion of Honor has been presented to the queen regent of Spain by the French ambassador.

Miners in the Atlin district of British Columbia are reported working nights by the light of a newly discovered volcano.

The British government has decided to grant Barbados £10,000 and St. Vincent £25,000 and to lend each island £50,000 more.

Twenty-seven people were drowned and 23 saved on the British steamer Clan Drummond that was wrecked in the bay of Biscay.

Major Smith's charges against Captains Meeks and Blecker of the Seventy-first New York regiment will be followed by charges by Captain Whitte.

It is reported from Havana that the Cuban assembly has made it compulsory upon Cuban officers to challenge any Spanish or American officer who insults them.

Another Portland Victim Found. CHATHAM, Mass., Dec. 3.—While patrolling the beach Thursday night, Lieut. Faver, of the Old Harbor life saving crew, found the body of a man, supposed to be C. C. Tinkham, who is probably another victim of the steamer Portland disaster. The body was that of a young man with black hair and smooth face and was dressed in a dark suit and black overcoat and wore patent leather shoes. On the coat was pinned a badge of first class marksmanship, C. N. G.

Captain Glass to Come Home. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Captain Glass, one of Dewey's commanders in the battle of Manila bay, is to be relieved from the command of the Charleston and brought home from Manila on waiting orders at his own request. He will be succeeded in command of the Charleston by Captain Whiting, now at Manila in command of the Monadnock. The commander of the latter has not yet been selected.

To Save the Scottish King. ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Dec. 3.—The steamer Kite, with one of Lloyd's surveyors and a large wrecking crew on board, left here last night for Seal cove to assist in saving the cargo of the wrecked steamer Scottish King and in floating the ship if possible.

Superintendent Aldridge Removed. ALBANY, Dec. 3.—Governor Black announces that he has complied with Mr. Aldridge's request and has relieved him from duty pending the judicial inquiry of the findings of Judge Countryman.

English Parliament's Reassembling. LONDON, Dec. 3.—Parliament will reassemble on Feb. 7.



LOVE IS LIFE.
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DUN'S REVIEW.

Great Decrease in Number of Failures and Liabilities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The report of failures for the month of November is extremely gratifying because it shows not only a decrease in number and a smaller amount of liabilities than in any other month, excepting the summer months, since the monthly record began, but because careful analysis shows a striking improvement both in the small and in the large failures and in nearly all classes of industry and trade. Considering that failures are usually smaller in summer months than in November, the monthly return may be considered about the best ever made and shows a condition of financial soundness rarely surpassed.

The wheat market has been weaker, with heavy western receipts, and has declined 1 cent. Atlantic exports have been 6,123,066 bushels, flour included, for the week against 4,187,832 last year, and Pacific exports 1,810,478 against 1,857,865 last year, and for five weeks the total exports have been 28,304,883 bushels against 26,122,709 last year. Within the same time corn exports have been 14,430,283 bushels against 12,881,632 last year, and the price has risen 1 cent. It is a most significant fact, which all interested may keep well in mind, that exports of wheat about equal the greatest ever known in any crop year thus far, but are accompanied by corn exports also but slightly exceeded in the year of greatest movement heretofore.

Failures for the week have been 281 in the United States against 306 last year, and 19 in Canada against 23 last year.

TANNER DEFIES SHERIFF TO ACT

Governor Says He Will Not Be Arrested Under Virden Indictment.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Governor Tanner will fight the indictment found against him by the grand jury of Macoupin county for omission of duty in connection with the Virden riots. In an interview last night he said:

"I will kick any sheriff out of my office who comes to arrest me on that indictment. I will not be arrested. No one has authority to do so, and no grand jury can constitute itself a judge of my acts as governor, when I exercise the rights invested in me in the performance of my duty. I did all I could to protect the miners of the state, and this is the result of it."

"It is all a Democratic plot. I am reliably informed that the grand jury which indicted me was composed of five Republicans, one Prohibitionist, and if Democrats, as you can readily see where the animus lies. It is no disgrace to be indicted by an ignorant and prejudiced grand jury like that, and I would like to see any one arrest me on such an indictment."

"I see that C. T. Loucks, the president of the Chicago-Virden Coal company, says that I am responsible for the bloodshed at Virden and am in danger of impeachment by the legislature. Now, if any one man is responsible for the bloodshed at Virden, Loucks is the man, for he brought those negroes into Virden in the face of a warning from the chief executive of the state that such an act would lead to rioting."

CARLIST ACTIVITY.

Fear of an Outbreak Drives Country People into the Towns.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail says: "In consequence of the Carlist agitation in the province of Vizcaya many rich families in the country districts are removing into the large towns for safety in case of an outbreak. Carlist emissaries have arrived at the respective Carlist headquarters in Vascongadas, Navarre and Maestrazgo, and it is expected that the government will order the garrisons at those places to be increased."

The Madrid correspondent of The Standard, forwarding his dispatch from the frontier, confirms the report of Carlist arrests at Mora de Rubielos and adds:

"The authorities, apparently with a view of avoiding the provocation of outbreaks, do not seem to display much vigor or rapidity in the measures necessary to check propaganda, which the provincial papers in many parts of Spain are denouncing daily."

The war office, however, is active in placing the army on a war footing. Much suppressed activity reigns at the war and home offices. Although no Carlist bands have appeared, it is strange to notice the widespread feeling of uneasiness pervading all classes."

Another Fake Fight.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The six round bout between Tommy Ryan and Tommy West at the Arena last night was the boldest kind of a fake. From start to finish both men put up the tamest kind of an argument, resorting to clinches when there was any danger of a stiff blow. The audience signified its opinion of the so called contest by whistling the dead march and shouting to the referee to take the men off.

Army Reorganization Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—General Miles, commanding the army, has prepared the draft of a bill providing for a regular standing army of 100,000 men. The bill, it is said, will provide for an organization of 12 companies to the regiment, with an arrangement for a third lieutenant for each company in case of need for that officer. It will contain provision for a staff corps largely in accordance with the recommendations of the heads of the various bureaus as recommended by them in annual reports. Chairman Hull of the house committee on military affairs intends to present the measure in congress at the first opportunity.

Turkish Defeat in Arabia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 3.—It is reported that there has been renewed fighting in Yemen, the principal division of Arabia, one of the chief towns of which is Aden, the British naval station on the gulf of that name. The Turkish troops are said to have suffered a serious defeat between Hodeida and Sana. The rebels in the Tais district are said to have hoisted the British flag. The Turkish officials here are reticent regarding the outbreak.

To Dispose of Captured Weapons.

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FIRST NEW YORK'S RETURN.

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A San Francisco dispatch says: Bids for the transportation of the First New York Regiment of Volunteers, due to arrive here from Honolulu soon, have been opened by Depot Quartermaster Long. The bids for carrying twelve companies from this city to New York range from \$9.90 to \$40.06 for each passenger. The former bid is the lowest ever made for transcontinental transportation.

Gen. Merriam says "About 700 of the New York Volunteers will arrive here on the Australia, Dec. 6. They will be quartered at the Presidio for a while and then shipped home. The other half of the regiment will leave Honolulu just as soon as transportation is ready. We have determined to let the battalion of engineers do garrison duty at the islands. So far, the engineers have escaped the typhoid and other troubles of which the average soldiers have been victims. This is probably due to the fact that they are under the command of regular army officers."

The expectation is that the New York military regiment will be mustered out at reaching home.

Important to Manage Her Affairs.

A wife's duty, after hearing testimony of the mental condition of Mrs. Elizabeth S. Atwater, of Newburgh, decided, Thursday, that she is not competent to manage her affairs. Mrs. Atwater is the widow of Rev. David J. Atwater, a Presbyterian clergyman, and has an estate valued at \$25,000.

Lassitude

Lassitude, "that tired feeling," is one of the first signs of approaching illness. It may be a cold, grip or other malady. A few doses of "77" at this early stage may "break up" the disease, preventing a long illness.

"77" cures grip, colds, influenza, catarrh, pains and soreness in the head and chest, cough and sore throat. At drug stores or sent prepaid, price 25c and 5c large pocket flask \$1. Dr. Humphreys' medicinal at drug stores or sent free. Humphreys' Medicine Company, corner William and John streets, New York.

Attending to Business.

"I suffered very much from fever and kidney complaint and heart trouble. My whole nervous system came near giving out. I was unable to attend to business. After taking a few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I was able to attend to my business as well as I ever could." Ransom Hammon, Levant, N. Y.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. Easy to take, easy to operate; reliable, sure. 25 cents.

It Has Been Fully

demonstrated that Ely's Cream Balm is a specific for Nasal Catarrh and cold in the head. This distinction has been achieved only as the result of continued success of use. A morbid condition of the membrane in the nasal passages can be cured by this purifying and healing treatment. Sold by druggists or it will be mailed for 50 cents by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York. It spreads over the membrane, is absorbed and relief is immediate.

Builds up the system; puts pure, rich blood in the veins, makes men and women strong and healthy. Hardock Blood Bitters. At any drug store.

Ten thousands demons gnawing away at one's vitals couldn't be much worse than the tortures of itching piles. Yet there's a cure. Doan's Ointment never fails.

New York Stock Market, December 3, 1898.

Index	Yest	Today
100000	127	128
Chicago	104	104 1/2
Chicago Grain	10 1/2	10 1/2
Nat. Bond	104	104 1/2
Gov. of Electric	84 1/2	84 1/2
U. S. 1 and	67	68 1/2
Tenn. Bond and Iron	30 1/2	31 1/2
A. T. & T. P.	16 1/2	16 1/2
C. R. & Q.	110 1/2	111 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	114 1/2	114 1/2
R. I.	108	108 1/2
D. L. & W.	145	145
O. & N. J.	94 1/2	94 1/2
Erie	114	114
D. & M.	94 1/2	94 1/2
O. & W.	16 1/2	16 1/2
Sanquhar & Western	18 1/2	18 1/2
Sanquhar & West., pref.	18 1/2	18 1/2
P. & R.	18 1/2	18 1/2
N. W.	18 1/2	18 1/2
N. Y.	118 1/2	118 1/2
M. P.	37 1/2	37 1/2
Levee	37 1/2	37 1/2
G. I.	37 1/2	37 1/2
W. I.	37 1/2	37 1/2
L. & S.	62 1/2	63 1/2
M.	27 1/2	27 1/2
P. M.	35 1/2	35 1/2
W. M.	21 1/2	21 1/2
Do. at 100, pref.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Met. Pol. & Traction	18 1/2	18 1/2
Bro. & H. P. Traction	82	82
Met. P. & T.	41 1/2	42

WHEAT

FATIN. In this city Dec. 3, 1898, William T. Fatin, aged fifty-seven years, eleven months, passed a quiet life at his residence, 34 Spring street, Saturday evening, at seven o'clock. In funeral at Ridgebury, Sunday, at twelve o'clock.

DAVIS. At his Academy Avenue this city, Dec. 3, 1898, Betty Caroline, widow of Isaac Davis, aged seventy-two years.

REAR. Deceased late res. Dec. 3, 1898, in this city, Addie, widow of the late, a Private in the 10th Cavalry, will be private, Sunday. Interment in family plot, Kingston, on Monday.

SYRUP OF FIGS



NEVER IMITATED QUALITY.

THE EXCELLENCE OF SYRUP OF FIGS

is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not gripe nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—

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LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N. Y.

5 1-2 Cts. a Pound

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JACOB GUNTHER.

Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars

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for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

FRESH PORK SHOULDERS, ONLY 7c A POUND. 1703 1/2 GREENING'S

WOMEN'S Rubbers, good quality, all sizes, 25c a pair. 1c. EDMOND & VANICKLE.

RATTLE for turkeys and chickens at FRANKLIN HOUSE, to ship.

MEN'S Rubber, to fit the late bull dog shoe, at EDMOND & VANICKLE 3 1/2

OST—Black and tan Round. Liberal reward for his return to 61 Cortez street.

WASHING Wanted or will do cleaning. 12. Enquire at this office.

HAVING Returned to the city, I will be pleased to see all my old customers or any new ones. Residing in all bran box. Prices moderate. 1c. MISS MELISSA DAYET, 58 Academy Ave.

6 PER CENT. Investment—\$1.10 wanted on good middle-class property. Enq. to at DORLAND'S office, Low Bull. 100, 52 North street. 1c.

MIDDLETOWN HAND LAUNDRY, 11 DEPOT ST. M. A. HAWES.

Successor to Mrs. E. Allison, makes a specialty of doing the laundry work. All work washed and ironed by hand.

Family washing our specialty. Goods called for and delivered. 1718Meb2

The Manhattan Market, NO. 148 NORTH STREET.

Fresh hams 10c a pound, roast pork 8c and 10c a pound, pork chops 10c a pound, pork steak 8c a pound, 25c, shoulders lamb 7c a pound, legs lamb 12c a pound, sirloin steak 10c a pound, chuck steak 10c a pound, corned beef 5c a lb. U. A. BEHME, H. ERMESHAK, Proprietors, 1847 Dec 29

GRAND OPENING OF OUR HOLIDAY GOODS.

WE ARE OFFERING A GRAND LINE OF

Men's, Boys' and Youths' Slippers!

and also a fine line of

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Slippers for the Holidays at a

Very Low Price.

Men's Velvet Slippers, 10c. Youths' Velvet Slippers, 50c.

Boys' " 75c. Ladies' " \$1.00.

" 60c. Ladies' Juliet Slippers \$1.25.

We have all kinds. Give us a call before going elsewhere at the Man Price Shoe Store.

Samuels, 11 North street, Middletown.

1847 Dec 29

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or each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

GOOD Carpet Sweepers \$1.57. Thirty days trial on them if you like. DAYTON'S.

SAUSAGE 2 POUNDS 25 CENTS. FOMK CHOPS 2 POUNDS 25 CENTS. 1703 1/2 GREENING'S.

CROSBY Has a fine line of deers and black-bone rus for children, also doll carriages, children's chairs, express wagons, sleds and carts. The best goods at the lowest possible prices.

JOS. YUOLO, 31 Fulton street. Full line of the shoes. New line of overcoats of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctic and felt boots for winter. Repairing made while you wait at very reasonable prices.

NO 31 FULTON STREET.

LOST—Two Pink Rubbers, also had leader for survey. Finder please leave at WOOD'S Livery stable, Kane II House. 1843B

SAVE Money by using Weather Strips on doors and windows, to be procured at No. 1 Railroad Avenue 1843B CHAS E TAYLOR

PORK ROASTS 8 AND 5 CENTS. BEEF STEAK 15 CENTS. WATCH WINDOW. 1703 1/2 GREENING'S.

CROSBY'S is Heaton's store for Doll. Big, little and medium sized, dressed and undressed. Dolls that go to sleep and dolls that keep awake. Doll heads from 10c up.

Chattel Mortgage Sale.

All of the wagons, two horses, farming implements and a lot of hay will be sold at the Wheeler farm near 5th Station. I rely occupied by Charles W. Lee, on December 3rd, 1898, at ten o'clock.

CHARLES W. FAULKNER, Mortgages Agent.

THOMAS WATTS and JOHN L. WIGGINS, attorneys for mortgages.

REDUCTION SALE EXTRAORDINARY!

We have inaugurated a reduction sale, to clear our counters and shelves of heavy goods, which we are determined to move, while people are buying winter goods, before the season has drawn to an end. Manufacturing, as we do, all our own ready made clothing, we are enabled to save people the middleman's profit, which is \$3 on every \$10, besides offering better quality, better made and better fitting clothing than those who buy their clothing all ready made from the jobbers.

From the Workshop to the Consumer.

We offer you the goods No middleman to interfere with the buyer.

50 Dozen "Budwig's Own" Knee Pants!

Double seat and double knee pants, patent waistband, warranted not to rip, regular 50c goods, OUR PRICE 25c. Higher grade goods at 35, 43 and 48c.

25 Doz. Cassimere Pants

for men. Goods sold elsewhere at \$1.50. Reduction sale price \$1. Wool Pants, regular price \$2.50, reduction sale price \$1.50.

Fine Worsted Pants \$2.50,

worth \$3.50 and \$4. Men's Suits—Special reduction sale prices \$3.75, worth \$5.50; \$5.44, worth \$7.50; \$7.75, worth \$12.

Overcoats and Ulsters!

SPECIAL PRICES \$2.99, \$5.00, \$7.50, \$9.00.

GLOVES AND MITTENS!

Enormous reductions. Fresh goods. Mittens from 10c up, Gloves from 19c up.

Winter Caps!

Caps at 19c., worth 35c. Caps at 29c., worth 50c.

This is a special inducement we offer, and none can afford to buy without having first looked over our extraordinary reduction sale.

Money Cheerfully Returned Without Giving Any Reason

Asking for the Return.

LOOK FOR OUR GUARANTEE LABEL WHEN BUYING CLOTHING.

This is our Trade Mark.

Budwig & Co. 9 NORTH ST. MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

Look for it when you buy clothing. 1898.

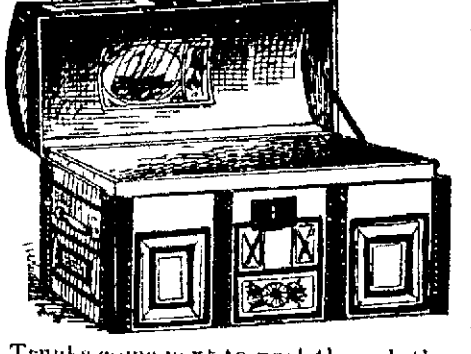
THE FAIR.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS—The time was when Santa Claus manufactured his own gifts. But since we have gone in the toy business he finds they can be bought cheaper than he can make them. The first thing when he rides in town is to enquire if it is a SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, and he comes early, is much too wise to wait until the final rush, when the best has been selected, and just what he wants is sold. Below are a few of his special orders. We are satisfied he knows what to order that pleases old as well as young.

We think he has a large place in his heart for little girls as he nearly always begins on

DOLLS.

He buys the J. D. K. doll, the very best on the market, from 10c to \$3.50, and the prettiest dressed doll, 13 inches, in different colors, with hat to match, for 25c. Talk about jointed dress dolls! You should see his smile when examining their silk and satin dresses, fancy hats, etc., 35c to \$1.89.



Trunks come next to pack their clothes in with tray, lock and key, 25 to 98c.

Doll Carriages

And go-carts. Upholstered, parasol, etc., 25c to \$2.50. Then we know very well he leaves the little girls for a time to find something jolly for the boys.

How he does rattle it off. Sleighs that just suit them from 25c up. Stationary engines, magic lanterns, swords, steel toys, they can bang about, from 10c up. Rocking horses, tool chests, pocket

knives, tops, violins, horns, drums, etc., from 10c up. We wish you might see him when he reaches the games. Think he will need more reminders to draw those large regular 50c games for 22c; blockades

10c that sell elsewhere for 25c. One thing we will just whisper so the man won't hear. He never forgets the

Then back to the girls again, for they as well as the boys, love those lovely books for 5 and 10c and what all manna are paying 35c for he gets at 22c, and those bright lithographed linen books at 5c, everyone else sells for 10c.

He knows no girl's house is complete without a piano to accompany her brother's horn.

Now back he comes for another load. This time it is white cradles, gold knobs, etc., 25c up, with white dressers to match. Toilet stand, all complete. Extension tables, from 25 to 98c. Oak side boards, high chairs, dishes, china and Britannia, 4 bottled castors 10c, Bissell's toy sweeper that does the work as well as the larger ones at 15c. Oh, yes, we nearly forgot the kitchen. Here is the iron stove and furniture, 25c up, iron and steel 5c, brooms 5 and 10c dust pans 5c, wash sets, etc. Then there is the baby's stocking to be filled with bright rattles, rubber toys, knit dolls, chimes, cows, sheep, donkeys, horses, dogs, etc., with double rocking horse, tray attached to keep the toys in, from 50c to \$1.75, or a small willow or white rocker, plush seat, etc., 25 to 98c. Black boards and desks 25c up, small office chairs 98c.

Our reputation for fine china at cheap prices is so well established it seems a waste of time to mention it. But we have so many new pretty pieces that we want you to know about, in comb and brush trays 25c, bread plates 25c to \$1.50, dainty cups and saucers 10 to 15c, salad 25c to \$1.50, celery trays, celery salts to match, bread and butter plates, chocolate pots, cracker jars, condensed milk jars, fern jars, pudding sets, frames, plaques, shaving mugs, ink stands, syrup jars, candle sticks, oat meal sets.

Game sets, with platters and 12 plates to match, pin trays, bone dishes, olive dishes, jardiniere, bric-a-brac, bisque figures, etc.

If you want Rodgers' A No. 1 table ware for half the price you have been paying, we are ready for you with a full line A. D. spoons, tea, table and desert spoons, sugar shells, butter knives, berry spoons, cold meat forks, child's set, knife, fork and spoon, etc.

Sterling Silver Novelties

You could hardly believe without seeing the STAMP could be sold so cheap. We can fill your toilet table, desk, work basket, etc., with useful as well as ornamental novelties.

Or if you have more money than you wish to spend, we have the purses to keep it in.

We have much the largest line of handkerchiefs in the city. Warranted all linen from 5c each to 75c to \$1.50 per box.

Also full line perfumes and atomizers.

You Know

Your wife has hinted time and again for a dinner set. Now is the time to please her. We have a line to choose from that you cannot fail to please her. Will guarantee every piece to not craze. Just go round, get prices, come to us last. Look at the potter's stamp and see if we do not do as we advertise. Sell the best for the least money.

Some of you need a lamp or toilet set more than a dinner set. Well we are all right on those also.

Owing to our immense order for lamps for our six stores, we have been a little late in getting the line complete. But we are now ready to show a line that has never been equalled in Middletown. Our lamps are PERFECT, latest styles, tasty decoration, simple construction, best of workmanship and finish, central draft insuring a perfectly clear and steady white light, no flickering and no smoking.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,

No. 8 EAST MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.

Other Stores—Carbondale, Pittston, Hazleton, Mahanoy City and Shamokin, Pa.